



*A BILL [with the Amendments] to
Improve, Widen, and Enlarge, the Pas-
sage over and through London Bridge.*

N. B. *The Words, and Clauses, printed in Black Letter, and between Brackets, thus [], were left out by the Committee; and the Words, printed in Italick, between Brackets, were inserted, and the Clauses, at the End of the Bill, marked A, B, C, &c. were added by the Committee, and are proposed to be respectively inserted in the several Parts of the Bill, where the corresponding Letters of the Alphabet are inserted.*



HEREAS the Passage over and through London Bridge is very dangerous and incommodious, and it is absolutely necessary immediately to widen and enlarge the same; and [that] the Widening and Enlarging the said Bridge, and One or more of the Arches thereof, will be of publick Utility, of great Benefit to Trade and Commerce, make the Navigation upon the [said] River [Thames] more safe and secure, and greatly tend to the Preservation of the Lives of his Majesty's Subjects passing over and through the said Bridge; [and whereas, in order to the same, it is necessary, that the Houses, Edifices and Buildings, on the

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said Bridge, and some Houses and Edifices contiguous thereto, should be taken down and removed];

May it therefore please Your most Excellent MAJESTY,

That it may be Enacted; and be it Enacted, by the KING's most Excellent MAJESTY, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That [*the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, of the City of London, in Common Council assembled,*] shall [*be, and they, and their Successors, are hereby constituted and appointed Commissioners for widening, enlarging, and rendering more commodious, the Passage over and through London Bridge*] [*with all convenient Speed, after the Twenty-fourth Day of June One thousand Seven hundred and Fifty-six, contract and agree for the purchasing, if they can, of all Houses, Tenements, Edifices, Erections and Buildings, now standing, or being on the said Bridge, or contiguous or adjoining thereto, which do not belong to the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of London, which they shall judge necessary to be taken down and removed for the Enlargement and Improvement of the Passage over, and the Avenues leading to and from, the said Bridge; and that upon Payment of such Sum or Sums of Money as shall be agreed to be paid for the same, and in case no Agreement shall be made for the same, on making Satisfaction in manner herein after-mentioned to all Owners of, and Persons interested in, such Houses, Tenements, Edifices, Erections and Buildings, not belonging to the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of London, and to the Lessees and Occupiers of all Houses or Tenements, which shall be ordered or deemed necessary to be taken down, and of all Ground which shall be deemed necessary to be laid to the said Bridge, for the Enlargement thereof, the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, in Common Council assembled, are hereby authorized and required, with all convenient Speed afterwards, to cause to be taken down all such Houses, Tenements, Edifices, Erections and Buildings; and also to cause the Materials thereof to be removed and taken away, after any such Houses, Tenements, Edifices, Erections and Buildings, shall be taken down; and this Act shall be sufficient Authority to indemnify them, and all Persons authorized by them, for so doing, as well against the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, as against the Heirs, Executors, Administrators and Assigns, of all and every the Owners, and all other*

other Persons interested in any such Houses, Buildings and Ground, and the Lessees and Occupiers thereof, as if the same had been sold by Deed of Feofment, Bargain and Sale, or other Assurance in the Law whatsoever].

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[And be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall meet together at Guild-hall, London, on the

and shall then proceed to the Execution of this Act, and, from time to time, afterwards adjourn themselves, and meet there, or at any other Place, as the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall think proper or convenient, as often as shall be necessary, for putting this Act, or any of the Powers herein contained, in Execution: And if it shall happen, that there shall not appear, at any Meeting which shall be appointed to be held, a sufficient Number of Commissioners to act at such Meeting, and to adjourn to any other Day, then, and in every such Case, the Clerk of the said Commissioners shall, from time to time, by publick Notice in the to be given at least before the next Meeting, appoint the said Commissioners to meet at the Place where the Meeting of the said Commissioners was so appointed to be held, within

next after the Day on which such last Meeting of the said Commissioners was appointed to be held; and the said Commissioners shall, at all and every their Meetings, bear and pay their own Charges and Expences.]

And be it further, by the Authority aforesaid, That [it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Commissioners, or any of them, and they are im-

powered, at any time or times after the said next, to alter, pull down, amove, take and carry away, all and so many of the Houses, Warehouses, Erections, Buildings and Premises, now erected, standing and being, upon the said Bridge, as the Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall judge necessary, fitting and convenient, for widening, enlarging and rendering more safe and commodious, the Passage over the

the said Bridge: first making Satisfaction, in manner herein after mentioned, to the Owners and Occupiers of, and Persons interested in, such Houses, Warehouses, Erections, Buildings and Premises; and also to widen and enlarge of the Arches of the said Bridge, in order to render the Passage under and through the same less hazardous and dangerous; and also to] *[the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, in Common Council assembled, shall also, from time to time]*, design, assign and lay out, how and in what manner, and with what Materials, the *[said]* Passage over and through the said Bridge shall be widened, enlarged and rendered more safe and commodious; and *[to preserve and keep in Repair the said Bridge, and such Way and Passage, from time to time; and to]* *[how the same and the said Bridge may and shall, from time to time, be preserved and kept in good Repair and Order; and shall]* make Contracts, and *[to]* do all *[other]* Matters and Things *[requisite]* for carrying on and effecting the Purposes *[aforesaid, and to cause]* *[directed by this Act to be done, and for causing]* the same to be effectually *[done and]* perfected *[accordingly]* *[as to them shall seem meet]*.

[And, to the Intent the Passage over the said Bridge may always be kept open, and rendered safe and commodious, and freed from any Houses, Erections or Buildings, that may obstruct the Passage over the same; Be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall not be lawful to or for the said Commissioners, from and after the or to or for any other Person or Persons whatsoever, to erect, or suffer to be erected, any House or Houses, Warehouse or Warehouses, upon the said Bridge.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That all Artificers and others, who shall make any Contract or Agreement with the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, for widening and enlarging the Passage over and through the said Bridge, or other Purposes herein mentioned, shall give such Security as the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall direct and approve, for the due Performance of all and every the Matters and Things contained in such Contracts

tracts and Agreements, according to the true Intent and Meaning of the same.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, at any time or times, by Writing or Writings under their Hands and Seals, to nominate such Person to be Treasurer, and also such Person or Persons to be Clerk or Clerks, and such other Officers, as they shall think fit, for receiving and paying the Monies to be received and paid in pursuance of this Act, and for doing such other Acts as may be necessary to be done in the Execution of the Powers and Authorities hereby given to the said Commissioners; which Treasurer, Clerks and other Officers, shall, from time to time, be removeable at the Will and Pleasure of the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, by Instrument, in Writing, under the Hands and Seals of the said Commissioners, or any or more of them; and the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall and may, out of the Monies arising and received by virtue of this Act, make such Allowance or Allowances unto such Treasurer, or Clerk or Clerks, and all other Officers and Persons to be employed by and under the said Commissioners, for their Care and Pains in the Execution of their respective Offices, as they the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall think reasonable: And the said Treasurer, Clerk or Clerks, and other Officers, shall, upon Oath, if thereunto required by the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, give in a true, exact and perfect, Account, in Writing, under their respective Hands, from time to time, of all Monies which they, or every or any of them, shall have received, paid and disbursed, by virtue of this Act, or by reason of their respective Offices; which Oath the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, are hereby impowered to administer.]

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And, for the preventing wilful and malicious damaging or destroying the said Bridge, or any Part thereof, or hindering or interrupting the repairing [thereof, or the] widening, and enlarging, the Passage over and through the same; Be it Enacted,

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by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Person or Persons shall [unlawfully], wilfully and maliciously blow up, pull down or destroy, the said Bridge, or any Part thereof, or [attempt so to do], [remove, destroy or take away any Works thereto belonging], or in any-wise direct or procure the same to be done, [whereby the said Bridge, or the Works thereof, shall be damaged, or the Lives of Passengers endangered; every] such Offender or Offenders, being lawfully convicted [thereof], shall be [adjudged guilty of Felony, and shall suffer as a Felon.]

And be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That all [the Money which, from and after the

shall be in the Hands or Custody of the Chamberlain of the City of London, belonging and appertaining to London Bridge and Bridge-house Estate, and all and every Sum and Sums of Money in the Hands of the Bridge-masters, or any other Officer employed in the Management and Receipts of the Estate belonging to the said Bridge and Bridge-house, and all] [Timber], Stones, Bricks, Tiles, Slates, Planks, Iron, Lead, Glass and all other Materials, belonging or appertaining to the several Houses, [Erections and Buildings, now standing and being upon the said Bridge, and which are intended and directed by this Act to be pulled down, amoved and carried away, and all Stones, Bricks, Planks, Piles, Iron and all other Materials which shall be made use of for or towards widening and enlarging, and rendering more commodious, the Passage over the said Bridge, and rendering the Passage under and through the same more safe and commodious, shall, from and after

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be deemed to belong and appertain, and to be the Property of the said Commissioners: And it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, to sell and dispose of the same; and apply the Money arising by such Sale to the Purposes of this Act: And the said Chamberlain and Bridge-master, and all other Persons possessed of any Monies, shall pay the same to such Person or Persons as the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall appoint; and that the Receipt of such Person or Persons shall be a [for the same],

[or Tenements, Edifices and Buildings, that shall be taken down by virtue of this Act, shall be, and the same are hereby vested in the

the Mayor, and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of London; and the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, in Common Council assembled, are hereby required, with all convenient Speed, after any such Houses or Buildings shall be taken down, to cause such Timber, Stones, Bricks, Tiles, Slates, Planks, Iron, Lead, Glass or other Materials, to be removed from off the Premises; and to use and employ such thereof, as they shall see fitting, towards widening, enlarging and rendering more commodious, the Passage over the said Bridge, and under the same; and what thereof shall afterwards remain, shall either be employed towards Reparation of the other Estates belonging to the Bridge-house; or else shall be sold and disposed of, for as much Money as can be had or gotten for the same, as they shall, from time to time, deem best; and the Money arising by and from the Sale of such Part thereof as shall be sold, shall go and be applied to and for the Purposes of this Act].

[And whereas the pulling down and taking away several Houses contiguous and adjoining to the said Bridge, and on each Side thereof, will greatly widen and enlarge the Passage over the said Bridge, and make the same more commodious to Coaches, Carts and Passengers, and beneficial to Commerce and Trade; Be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall have full Power and Authority to agree with the Owners and Occupiers of, and other Persons interested in, such Houses, as they the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall judge fit to be removed or pulled down, or any Part of them, and with the Owners and Occupiers of, and other Persons interested in, such Grounds as they the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall think necessary to be made use of, for widening and enlarging the Passage over, or the Avenues to, the said Bridge, within the Space of Yards from the same; and, upon Payment of such Sum or Sums of Money so agreed to be paid, the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, are hereby authorized to appoint Workmen to pull the said Houses down, and to remove and take away the same, and the Materials thereof; and this Act shall be sufficient to the said Commissioners, and all Persons authorized by them, against the Heirs, Executors, Administrators or Assigns, of all and every of the said Owners, Occupiers and

and Persons interested, as if the same had been sold by Deed of Feoffment, Bargain and Sale, or other Assurance in the Law, done by Fine and Recovery, or any other Way whatsoever].

And whereas it may happen that some Persons, or Bodies Politick, Corporate or Collegiate, Feoffees in Trust, [*Femes-covert*], or others, who are seised of some Houses, [*Edifices*] or Grounds, which may be necessary to be pulled down or purchased, and set out or assigned for widening and enlarging the Passage over the said Bridge, or the Avenues thereto, as aforesaid, may be willing to treat and agree to sell such Houses, [*Edifices*] and Grounds, to perfect so useful and necessary a Work, but are incapable of selling, granting [and] [or] conveying the same, [by reason of Infancy or other Disability]; Be it therefore Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful to and for all Bodies Politick, Corporate or Collegiate, Corporations Aggregate or Sole, and all Feoffees in Trust, Executors, Administrators, Guardians or other Trustees whomsoever, [for or on behalf of any Infants, Femes-covert, or other Cestuique Trusts], and for all [*Femes-covert*], and every other Person and Persons whomsoever, who are, or shall be seised, possessed of, or interested in, any [House or] [*such*] Houses, [*Edifices, Tenements*] or Ground, to sell and convey [to the said Commissioners, or to any or more of them, or to their Successors, or to such other Person as they, or any or more of them, shall appoint], all or any such Houses, [*Edifices, Tenements*] and Ground, or any Part thereof, [to the Purposes aforesaid]; [and all their Estates, Rights, Titles and Interests whatsoever, of, in, and to, the same, to the said Mayor and Commonalty, and Citizens, and their Successors, or to such Persons and their Heirs forever, as the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, in Common Council assembled, shall direct, in Trust for the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, and their Successors, for the Purposes in this Act contained]; and that all Contracts, Agreements, Sales and Conveyances, which shall be so made, [shall be] [by virtue and in pursuance of this Act as aforesaid, shall, without any Fine or Fines, Recovery or Recoveries, or other Conveyance or Assurance in the Law whatsoever, be good, valid and effectual] to all Intents and Purposes, any Law, Statute, Usage or any other Matter or Thing whatsoever, to the contrary thereof, in any-wise notwithstanding: And that all [Feoffees in Trust, Corporations Aggregate or Sole, and all other] [*such*] Persons are and shall be hereby [indemnified] for what they shall do

do by virtue of, or in pursuance of, this Act: [And if it shall happen that any Person or Persons, Bodies Politick, Corporate or Collegiate, or other Persons, shall refuse to treat and agree as aforesaid, or, by reason of Absence, shall be prevented from treating and agreeing, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, upon Notice to be given to the Party or Parties interested in such House or Grounds, or left at the Premises, for them to appear before the said Commissioners; and if such Parties shall not appear, or appearing, shall not treat or agree, then the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, are hereby impowered to issue out a Warrant or Warrants, Precept or Precepts, directed to the or to the as the Case shall require; who are hereby authorized and directed accordingly to impanel and return a Jury of substantial and disinterested Persons, to appear before the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, at such Time and Place as in such Warrant or Warrants, Precept or Precepts, shall be appointed; which said Jury, upon their Oaths, to be administred to them by the said Commissioners, or any or more of them (which Oath the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, are hereby impowered and required to administer), shall enquire into and assess such Damage and Recompence as they shall judge fit to be awarded to the Owners and Occupiers of, and all Persons interested in, any such Houses or Ground, or any Part thereof, for their respective Estates and Interests in the same, as by the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall be adjudged fit to be pulled down, or converted to the Purposes aforesaid; and such Verdict of the Jury, and Judgment of the said Commissioners thereupon, and the legal Payment or Tender of the Sum or Sums of Money so awarded or adjudged, shall be binding, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, against the said Parties, their Heirs and Successors, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, and all others claiming, or to claim, by, from, or under him, her, them, or any of them, respectively, any Right, Title, or Interest, to the said Houses or Ground, or in the Ground whereon the said Houses and Edifices stand, or thereunto belonging, notwithstanding; and shall be a full Authority for the said Commissioners, or any

or more of them, to cause the said Houses and Edifices accordingly to be removed and pulled down, and to make use of the Sites thereof, and the said Grounds, in widening and enlarging the Passage over, or the Avenues to, the said Bridge, as the Case may require.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That all Sums of Money, or other Consideration, Recompence or Satisfaction, to be paid or tendered, pursuant to any such Judgment, Sentence, Decree or Determination, as shall be so made by the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, as aforesaid, shall be, and are hereby charged and chargeable upon all Money which shall be raised or received for the Purposes of this Act, and shall be tendered to the Party or Parties intitled to the same; and in case of Refusal to accept the same, then such Monies, or Recompence, shall be paid and made to in Trust for such Person and Persons as shall be intitled to receive the same, before the said Commissioners shall proceed to pull down such House or Houses, Warehouse or Warehouses, or other Erections and Buildings, or make use of such Ground, for the Purposes of this Act.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, by Warrant under their Hands and Seals, to summon and call before them any Person or Persons, as Witnesses, to give Evidence of, and concerning, any Matters or Things by them judged necessary to be inquired of, touching and concerning the said Bridge, and the widening and enlarging the same, and the Avenues thereof; and they are hereby impowered to administer an Oath to, and thereupon to examine, all and every such Witness or Witnesses, as shall be produced to give Evidence to the said Jury; and to use all other lawful Ways and Means, as well for their own as for the better Information of the Juries in the Premises, as they the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall think fit: And in case of any Default of a sufficient Number of Jurymen, the said or the respectively, shall return honest and indifferent Men of the Standers-by, or that can be speedily procured, to attend

tend that Service, to the Number of and that all
 Persons concerned shall, from time to time, have their
 lawful Challenges against any of the said Jurymen,
 when they come to be sworn; and that the said Commis-
 sioners, or any or more of them acting in the Pre-
 mises, shall have Power, from time to time, to impose
 any reasonable on such Sheriffs or Sheriff, or their
 Deputy or Deputies, Bailiffs, or Agents, respectively,
 making Default in the Premises, and on any of the Per-
 sons who shall be summoned and returned on any such
 Jury or Juries; and also on any Witness or Witnesses
 who shall not attend, or who shall attend, and refuse to
 be sworn, or who, being sworn, shall refuse to give Evi-
 dence; or on any Persons or Person summoned and re-
 turned on such Jury or Juries, who shall not appear, or
 who shall refuse to be sworn on the said Jury or Juries,
 or, being so sworn, shall not give his or their Verdict, or
 in any other manner wilfully neglect his or their Duty in
 the Premises, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning
 of this Act; and, from time to time, to such Fine or
 fines, by Warrant or Warrants under the Hands and
 Seals of the said Commissioners, or any or more
 of them, by of the Offender's Goods,
 returning the Overplus (if any) to the Owner; and all
 such shall be applied to the Use of]

And forasmuch as the widening and enlarging the Passage over
 and through the said Bridge before-mentioned, and the purchasing
 such Houses, [Edifices] and Ground as aforesaid, and the making
 Satisfaction [to all Person and Persons who shall or may be
 any-ways damaged or prejudiced by the Execution of this
 Act], [herein before directed], will be attended with considerable
 Charge and Expence, [and will require more Money to do
 the same than can be raised by and out of the Estates,
 Toll and Revenues, now belonging to the said Bridge
 and Bridge house, which at present is little more than
 sufficient to defray the annual Charges and Expences of
 maintaining, repairing, upholding and supporting the
 same]; Be it therefore Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That,
 from and after the said [Twenty-fourth Day of June], there shall
 be [due and] paid to the Receiver or Receivers, Collector or Col-
 lectors, to be nominated and appointed as herein after is men-
 tioned, for Pontage, or in the Nature of a Toll, [for passing over
 the said Bridge], over and above the Toll now paid and payable
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for [*loaded Waggons, Carts, Drays and Carriages*], passing over the said Bridge, the following Sums of Money; that is to say, For every Horse drawing any Coach, Chariot, Hearse, Berlin, Landau, Calash, Chaise or Chair, over the said Bridge, the Sum of [*One Half penny*]; and for every such Coach, Chariot, Hearse, Berlin, Landau, Calash, Chaise or Chair, [*One Penny*]; and for every Horse, [*Ass or Mule*], not drawing, passing over the said Bridge, [*One Half penny*].

Provided always, That no Hackney-Coach which shall pass over the said Bridge empty, or the Horses drawing the same, shall pay any Toll whatsoever; nor shall any Horse [*or other Beast*], or any Coach or Carriage whatsoever, pay more than [*once a Day*], for passing over the said Bridge: Which said respective Sums of Money shall and may be demanded and taken in the Name of [*Pontage, or as a Toll or Duty*]; and the Monies to be raised thereby, and all other Monies to be received by Authority of this Act, are hereby vested in the said [*Commissioners*] [*Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, of the said City of London, and their Successors*]; and the same, and every Part thereof, shall be paid, applied, disposed of and assigned, to and for the several Uses, Intents and Purposes, and in such Manner, as is herein mentioned and directed; and the said [*Commissioners, and their Successors, or any or more of them*], [*Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, in Common Council assembled, or such Persons as they shall depute*], are hereby impowered, [*by themselves, or by any Person or Persons by them, or any or more of them thereto authorized*], to [*levy*] the Toll or Duty hereby required to be paid upon any Person or Persons, who shall, after Demand thereof made, neglect or refuse to pay the same, as aforesaid, or to deny or hinder any Passage over the said Bridge until Payment thereof; which said Toll or Duty shall or may be [*levied by Distress*] of any Horse or Horses, [*or other Cattle*] or Carriage, upon which such Toll or Duty is by this Act imposed, or upon any other of the Goods and Chattels of such Person or Persons, as ought to pay the same; and all such Horses, [*or other Cattle*] or Goods, may be detained till such Toll or Duty, with the reasonable Charges of such [*Distress*], shall be paid; and it shall be lawful for the Person or Persons so distraining, after the Space of [*Four Days*] after such [*Distress*] made or taken, to [*sell*] [*the Cattle*] [*such Horse, Horses*] or other Goods or Chattels so distrained, for Payment of the said Toll or Duty, rendering to the Owner or Owners thereof the Overplus, upon Demand, after Satisfaction of the said Toll

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or Duty, and the reasonable Charges in or about making such [*Distress, detaining, keeping and selling*] the same, shall be deducted and paid.

[And forasmuch as borrowing Money upon the Credit of this Act will be the most effectual Method to accomplish the Purposes aforesaid; Be it therefore further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful to and for any Person or Persons to contribute, advance and pay into the Hands of the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, or to such Person or Persons as the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall, by Writing or Writings under their Hands and Seals, authorize and impower to receive the same, for the Uses before-mentioned, any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding, in the Whole, the Sum of for the absolute Purchase of One or more Annuity or Annuities, to be paid and payable during the full Term of the of such Contributors respectively, or the of such other Person or Persons as shall be nominated by or on the Behalf of such respective Contributors, at the time of Payment of their respective Contribution-monies; which Annuity or Annuities shall not exceed the Rate of for every and so in Proportion for any greater or lesser Sum to be advanced and paid as aforesaid; all which said Annuities, so to be purchased as aforesaid, shall not exceed, in the Whole, the Sum of and shall be payable, and paid by the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, in the Office of the Chamberlain of the City of London, or in such Place within the City of London, as they the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall for that Purpose appoint, by Payments, to commence from the Payment of the said Money; which Annuities shall be publickly sold by the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, to the best Bidder for the same.

And it is hereby Enacted, That there shall be provided by the said Commissioners, and kept in the said Chamberlain's Office, or in such Place in the said City of London as the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall appoint, a Book or Books, in which shall be fairly written, in Words at Length, the Names
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and Surnames, with the proper Additions and Places of Abode, of all Persons who shall be Purchasers of any of the Annuities aforesaid; and of all Persons, by whose Hands the said Purchasers shall pay in any Sum or Sums of Money upon this Act, and also the Sum and Sums so paid for the Purchase of such Annuities, and the respective Days of Payment thereof; to which Book and Books it shall and may be lawful for the said respective Purchasers, their Executors, Administrators and Assigns, from time to time, and at all seasonable times, to have recourse to, and to inspect the same, without

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every the Annuities, so to be purchased under and by virtue of this Act, shall be, and are hereby, charged upon all and singular the Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments and Premises, belonging to London Bridge, commonly called the Bridge-house Estate, and the Rents, Issues and Profits thereof, and upon all Sum and Sums of Money thereto belonging, in the Hands of any Person or Persons whatsoever, and upon all fine and fines paid upon Account of any Lease or Leases made or granted, or hereafter to be made or granted, of any Part of the said Estate, and upon any Sum or Sums of Money raised and paid during for the Sale of any Office or Offices, Place or Places, belonging or appertaining to the said Bridge, or Bridge-house Estate; and shall be paid and payable, from time to time, in such manner, as shall be directed by the said Commissioners, or any or more of them; and all and every the Contributor and Contributors upon the Credit of this Act, duly paying the Consideration or Purchase-money, at the Rate aforesaid, for any such Annuity or Annuities as aforesaid, or such Person or Persons as he, she or they, shall appoint his, her or their, respective Executors, Administrators and Assigns, shall have, receive and enjoy, and be intitled, by virtue of this Act, to have, receive and enjoy, the respective Annuity or Annuities, so to be purchased, during the Term of the of the Person to be nominated by such Purchaser or Contributor, as above-mentioned; and that all and every such Purchaser and Purchasers, and their Executors, Administrators and Assigns, respectively, shall have good, sure, absolute, indefeasible Estates and Interest in the said Annuities so by them respectively to be purchased, according to the Tenor

Tenor and true Meaning of this Act; and that none of the said Annuities shall be subject or liable to any Tax charged upon Lands by Authority of Parliament.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That every Contributor upon this Act, for the Purchase of any such Annuity or Annuities as aforesaid, his, her or their Executors, Administrators and Assigns, upon Payment of the Consideration or Purchase-money for the same, or any Part or Proportion thereof, into the Hands of the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall have One or more Receipt or Receipts, importing the Receipt of so much Purchase-money as shall be so paid; and, upon Payment of all the Purchase-money for any such Annuity or Annuities, every such Contributor, his, her or their Executors, Administrators or Assigns, respectively, shall have an Order, fairly wrote upon Parchment or Vellum, for Payment of the said Annuity or Annuities; which Order shall be signed by the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, and, after signing the same, shall be firm, good, valid and effectual, in the Law, according to the Purport and true Meaning thereof, and of this Act.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful to and for any Purchaser or Purchasers of any such Annuity or Annuities as aforesaid, and his, her, and their Executors, Administrators and Assigns, at any Time and Times, by any Writing, under their Hands and Seals, or by Indorsement on the said Order, to assign such Annuity or Annuities, or any Part thereof, or Interest therein, to any Person or Persons whatsoever, and so toties quoties; and a Memorandum or Entry of all such Assignments shall be made in a Book; which is hereby required to be kept for that Purpose, at the Charge of the said Commissioners, in the Chamberlain's Office aforesaid, or in such other Place as shall be kept for that Purpose; which Entry or Memorandum shall be made]

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And, [for the effectual Payment of the said Annuities, as aforesaid], Be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That all and singular the Tolls and Duties raised and imposed by this Act, [and all other Money which shall be levied, or recovered

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or received by virtue hereof], shall, from and after the said [Twenty-fourth Day of June], be, and [the same] are hereby, vested in the said [Commissioners, and their Successors] [Mayor, Commonalty and Citizens, of London, and their Successors]; and the Money arising therefrom shall be recovered, accounted for, paid and applied, in such Manner, for such Time, and for such Purposes, as by this Act is directed.

And, to the end the said Tolls and Duties may be duly accounted for, Be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said [Commissioners, or any or more of them, at any time or times hereafter, by any Writing or Writings under their Hands and Seals, to nominate and appoint such Person or Persons to be Receiver or Receivers, Collector or Collectors, of the said Tolls or Duties, as they shall think fit; who shall give such Security for the due accounting for, and paying to the said Commissioners, or to such Person or Persons, as they, or any or more of them, shall appoint, the Monies by them collected; and, for their Honesty and good Behaviour in their Office or Place of Collector or Collectors, Receiver or Receivers: And all Persons, by this Act liable to pay the said Tolls or Duties, or any of them, are required to pay the same, after the Rates aforesaid, to such Receiver or Receivers, Collector or Collectors, aforesaid; and all such Receivers and Collectors shall respectively pay the same into the Hands of such Person and Persons, as the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall, from time to time, direct and appoint; and shall also, upon Oath, (if thereunto required by the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, before any Justice or Justices of the Peace of the City of London, or County of Surry; which Oath such Justice and Justices is and are hereby impowered and required to administer) from time to time, give in a true and perfect Account, in Writing, under their respective Hands, of all Monies, which they, and every of them, shall, to such Time, have received, paid and disbursed, by virtue of this Act, or by reason of their respective Offices; for which Oath no Fee or Reward shall be taken; and the same may be taken without any Stamp: And the Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall and may, out of the Monies arising or received by the said Tolls, or otherwise, by virtue of this Act,

Act, make such Allowances unto such Receiver and Receivers, Collector and Collectors, and all other Officers and Persons, to be employed by, or under, the said Commissioners, for their Care and Pains in the Execution of their respective Offices, as they the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall think fit and reasonable: And in case any such Receiver or Receivers, Collector or Collectors, of the aforesaid Tolls or Duties so to be paid, as aforesaid, or any of them, shall not make such Account and Payment as by this Act is directed, according to the Orders and Directions of the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, then such Justices aforesaid shall] [Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, of the said City of London, in Common Council assembled, to nominate and appoint a proper Person or Persons to be their Clerk or Clerks, and such other Officers under them, for the Execution of the Powers hereby vested in them, as they shall deem proper; which Clerk or Clerks shall write and keep proper Entries, from time to time, of all such Matters, Proceedings and Things, as shall be done in pursuance of this Act; and likewise to nominate and appoint such Person or Persons to be Receiver or Receivers, Collector or Collectors, of the said Tolls or Duties, as they shall think fit, who shall give Security for the due accounting for, and paying into the Chamber of the said City of London, the Monies by them collected, and for their Honesty and good Behaviour in their Office or Place of Collector or Collectors, Receiver or Receivers: And all Persons by this Act liable to pay the said Tolls or Duties, or any of them, are required to pay the same, after the Rates aforesaid, to such Receiver or Receivers, Collector or Collectors, aforesaid; and all such Receivers and Collectors shall respectively pay the same into the Chamber of the said City of London; and shall also, upon Oath, (if thereunto required by the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen) give in a true and perfect Account, in Writing, under their respective Hands, of all Money which they, and every of them, shall, to such Time, have received, paid and disbursed, by virtue of this Act, or by reason of their respective Offices: And the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the said City of London, in Common Council assembled, shall and may, out of the Monies arising or to be received by the said Tolls or otherwise by virtue of this Act, make such Allowances unto such Receiver and Receivers, Collector or Collectors, and all other Officers and Persons to be employed by or under them, for their Care and Pains in the Execution of their respective Offices, as they the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, in Common Council assembled,

from time to time, shall think fit and reasonable: And in case any such Receiver or Receivers, Collector or Collectors, of the aforesaid Tolls or Duties, so to be paid as aforesaid, or any of them, shall not make such Account and Payment as by this Act is directed, according to the Orders and Directions of the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, in Common Council assembled, then any Justice or Justices of the Peace for the said City of London shall commit such Party or Parties to his Majesty's Gaol of Newgate, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize until they shall have made a true Account and Payment, as aforesaid].

[And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every such Sum and Sums, as shall be raised and received by virtue of this Act, shall be by the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, applied and disposed of, after Payment of the said Annuities, in the Purchase of such Houses and Grounds as shall be necessary to be purchased for executing the Purposes of this Act, and for making a proper and reasonable Recompence to such Persons as shall sustain any Damage by the Execution of such Purposes; and also for the widening and enlarging the Passage over and through the said Bridge, and rendering the same more safe and commodious, in such manner as the said Commissioners, or any or more of them, shall judge most convenient, and for supporting, repairing and amending, the said Bridge, from time to time, and other the Purposes of this Act (the necessary Charges of passing this Act, and the Execution thereof, and managing, receiving and collecting, the said Tolls and Duties, and the said Rents and Revenues, from time to time, being first deducted).

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That there shall be provided and kept, by the Treasurer, or Receiver or Receivers, to be appointed pursuant to this Act, Book or Books, in which all the Receipts and the Disbursements of the Monies arising and received by virtue of this Act, shall, from time to time, be fairly set down and entered, truly expressing the Times when, and the Names of the Persons respectively from, or to or by whom, the same were so received or disbursed, and for what Uses or Purposes; and that at least in every Year; to wit, at the

the Accounts from the said Books shall be fairly drawn out, stated and signed, by the said Treasurer or Treasurers, Receiver or Receivers, and delivered by him or them to the said Commissioners, which said Commissioners, or any or more of them, are hereby empowered to discharge such Treasurer or Treasurers, Receiver or Receivers, so accounting, of such Monies as he or they shall so, as aforesaid, fairly and truly account for: And the said Accounts, together with all Copies of all Contracts or Agreements, from time to time, made by the said Commissioners for any the Purposes of this Act, shall be delivered into each House of Parliament, in every Year, within after the Opening of the Session].

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And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That all the Costs and Charges of obtaining, or by reason of passing, this Act, shall, as soon as may be, be paid out of the Money to be raised and received by virtue thereof.

[And be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Bridge, when the Houses shall be pulled down, and removed from the same, shall not be for or towards the Land-Tax, the Repairs of Highways, Poor's Rate, Churchwardens, or any other Parish Rate whatsoever; nor shall the said Bridge, or any Part thereof, be deemed or looked upon, to belong or to be within any Parish, but be extra-parochial, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever.

Provided always, and it is hereby Enacted and Declared, That the said Bridge, when repaired, shall not be deemed or taken to be a County Bridge, so as to subject the City of London and County of Surry, or either of them, to the repairing or supporting the same].

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the several Tolls and Duties hereby appointed to be raised and levied, for the Purposes aforesaid, shall have Continuance, and be received, had, raised, collected and taken, [for and during such Time only as any of the Annuities to be granted, pursuant

pursuant to this Act, as aforesaid, shall have Continuance, and when and as there shall be Occasion or Necessity to raise the same, and no longer; and from and after the **of all the said Annuities, such Tolls and Duties shall** [*until such Time as the Money, which shall be borrowed by virtue of this Act, and the Interest thereof, shall be fully satisfied and paid*].

[Provided always, That if any Dispute or Difference shall at any Time **of this Act, happen** or arise between the said Commissioners, or any Person or Persons damaged or prejudiced by this Act, or any thing done pursuant thereto, touching the Allowance or Satisfaction to be made him or them, for such Damage or Prejudice, that then such Allowance or Satisfaction shall be made to such Person or Persons as shall be assessed by a Jury, herein before directed to be impannelled for the Purposes in this Act; and such Satisfaction and Allowance shall, within **Days** after such Damage shall be assessed by the said Jury, be paid to the Party or Parties, so damaged or prejudiced as aforesaid, in full Satisfaction for such Damage or Prejudice].

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And be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Action shall be brought, or Suit commenced, against any Person or Persons, for any thing done in pursuance of this Act, or in relation to the Premises, or any of them, [**any**] such Action or Suit shall be laid or brought within [*Six Months*] next after the Fact done, and shall be laid or brought in the City of London, or County of Surry, and not elsewhere: And the Defendant or Defendants, in such Action, may plead the General Issue, and give this Act, and the Special Matter, in Evidence, at any Trial to be had thereupon; and that the same was done in pursuance, and by Authority, of this Act; and if the same shall appear to have been so done; or if any such Action or Suit shall not be brought within the Time before limited, or shall be brought in any other County or Place than as aforesaid; then the Jury shall find for the Defendant or Defendants: Or if the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs shall become Nonsuited, or suffer a Discontinuance of his, her, or their Action or Actions; or if a Verdict shall pass against the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs; or if, upon Demurrer, Judgment shall be given against the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs; the said Defendant or Defendants shall have [*Treble*]

Treble] Costs; and shall have such Remedy for recovering the same, as any Defendant or Defendants hath or have for Costs in other Cases by Law.

And it is hereby further Enacted, That this Act shall be deemed a Publick Act; and shall be taken Notice of as such, by all Judges, Justices, and other Persons whatsoever, without specially pleading the same.

CLAUSE A.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Body Politick, Corporate, or Collegiate, Corporations Aggregate or Sole, Femes-Covert, or other Person or Persons whatsoever, in and by this Act impowered and qualified to contract, sell, convey, and dispose of, any Part of the Premises, for the Purposes herein before-mentioned, shall refuse to treat and agree as aforesaid, or, by reason of Absence, shall be prevented from treating and agreeing, or shall decline or refuse to sell, convey, and dispose of, the Premises whereof, wherein, or whereunto, they respectively shall be so seised, possessed, interested, or intitled, as aforesaid, or their respective Rights, Titles, Claims, or Interests, to, in, or upon, the same, or any Part thereof, unto the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, and their Successors, or such Persons as the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, shall appoint for the Purposes, and according to the Tenor, true Intent, and Meaning of this present Act, or shall not produce or make out a clear Title to the Premises they are in Possession of, or to the Interest they claim thereto, to the Satisfaction of the Court of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of London; it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Court, and they are hereby impowered and authorized to issue a Warrant or Warrants, Precept or Precepts, to the Sheriffs of the said City of London, or to the Sheriff of the County of Surry, as the Case shall require; who are and every of them is hereby authorized, directed, and required, accordingly to impanel and return a competent Number of substantial and disinterested Persons, qualified to serve on Juries, and not less than Forty-eight; and out of such Persons, so to be impanelled, summoned, and returned, a Jury of Twelve Persons shall be drawn by some Person, by the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen to be appointed, in such manner as Juries for the Trial of Issues joined in his Majesty's Courts at Westminster, by an Act made in the Third Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, intituled, "An Act for the better Regulation of Juries,"

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are directed to be drawn ; which Persons, so to be impanelled, summoned, and returned, as aforesaid, are hereby required to come and appear before the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen, if the Premises in Dispute lie in London, at such Time and Place as in such Warrant or Warrants, Precept or Precepts, shall be directed and appointed ; and to attend there from Day to Day until discharged by the said Court ; and, if the Premises lie in Surry, before the Justices of the Borough of Southwark at some General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace to be held for the said Borough, or some Adjournment thereof ; and all Persons concerned shall have their lawful Challenges (but not challenge the Array of the Panel) against any of the said Jurymen, when they come to be sworn : And the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen, and the said Justices, respectively, are hereby authorized and empowered to send their Precept or Precepts to any Person or Persons, who they shall have Reason to believe or judge to have any Title-Deeds, Books, Papers, or Writings, which they shall think necessary for their Information in any thing relating to this Act, to attend at such Time within Fourteen Days before the Meeting of such Jury as aforesaid, and at such Places as they shall, in such Precept or Precepts, direct and appoint ; and to produce at such Time and Place, upon Oath, all such Title-Deeds, Books, Papers, or Writings, as the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Justices, as aforesaid, shall require, if in his, her, or their Custody or Power ; and all and every Person and Persons having any such Deeds, Books, Papers, or Writings, are hereby required to obey such Precept or Precepts, and to produce such Deeds, Books, Papers, and Writings, at such Time and Place, to be inspected by the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Justices, as aforesaid, or any Person authorized by them respectively to inspect the same ; and also shall produce such Deeds, Books, Papers, and Writings, to such Jury, if thereunto required by the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Justices, as aforesaid ; and the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Justices, as aforesaid, are hereby respectively authorized and empowered, by Precept, or Order, from time to time, as Occasion shall require, to call before them all and every Person and Persons whomsoever, who shall be thought necessary to be examined as Witnesses before them, and to examine them on their Oath or Oaths, or on their solemn Affirmation (if the Person or Persons, so to be examined, be of the Profession of the People called Quakers), touching and concerning the Premises ; and the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen and Justices as aforesaid respectively, if they think fit, shall and may likewise

wise authorize the said Jury to view the Place or Places, or Matters in Question, in such manner as they shall direct ; and the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Justices, as aforesaid, shall have Power to adjourn such Meeting from Day to Day, as Occasion shall require ; and such Jury, Witnesses, and Parties, shall attend until all such Affairs for which they were summoned shall be concluded ; and the said Jury, upon their Oaths, shall enquire of the Value of such Houses, Ground, Tenements, Edifices, Erections and Buildings, which shall be necessary to be purchased, and of the respective Estate and Interest of every Person seized or possessed of, or interested therein, or in any Part thereof ; and such Jury shall assess the Sum and Sums to be paid to every such Person or Persons, for the Purchase of such their Estates and Interests, which shall be necessary to be so purchased ; and the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Justices, as aforesaid, shall and may respectively give Judgment for such Sum and Sums of Money so to be assessed ; which said Verdict or Verdicts, and the said Judgment, Decree and Determination thereon (Notice in Writing being given to the Person or Persons interested, at least Fourteen Days before the Time of such Assessment, declaring the Time and Place of the Meeting of the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Justices, as aforesaid, and Jury, by leaving such Notice at the Dwelling-house of such Person or Persons, or at his, her, or their usual Place or Places of Abode, or with some Tenant or Occupier of some of the said Houses, Ground, Tenements, Edifices, Erections or Buildings intended to be valued and assessed, in case such Party cannot otherwise be found out, to be served with such Notice) shall be binding and conclusive to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, as well against the King's Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, and all and every other Person and Persons, Bodies Politick and Corporate, claiming any Estate, Right, Title, Trust, Use or Interest, into or out of the same, either in Possession, Reversion, Remainder or Expectancy, as well Infants and Issue unborn, Lunatics, Idiots, and Femmes-Covert, and Persons under any other legal Incapacity or Disability, and all other Cestuique Trusts, his, her, and their Heirs, Successors, Executors and Administrators, as against all other Persons whomsoever ; and the said Verdicts, Judgments and Decrees, and all other Proceedings of the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Justices, as aforesaid, and Juries, so to be made, given and pronounced, as aforesaid, shall be fairly written on Parchment, and signed and sealed by the said Mayor, for the Time being ; and such Verdicts, Judgments and Decrees, and other Proceedings, as relate to or concern Houses, Grounds,
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Tenements, Edifices, Erections and Buildings, in London, shall be entered in the Town Clerk's Office of the City of London; and such as relate to or concern any Houses, Grounds, Tenements, Edifices, Erections or Buildings, in the County of Surry, shall be transmitted to the Clerk of the Peace of the said County, and kept amongst the Records of the Quarter-Sessions of the said County; and the said Verdicts, Judgments and Decrees, and all other Proceedings, shall be deemed and taken to be Records to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever; and the same, or some Copy thereof, shall be deemed and taken to be good and effectual Evidence and Proof in any Court or Courts of Law or Equity whatsoever, and all Persons may have Recourse to the same gratis, and take Copies thereof; paying for every Copy, not exceeding Two hundred Words, Six Pence, and so proportionably for any greater or lesser Number of Words.

CLAUSE B.

And it is hereby further Enacted and Declared, That upon Payment of such Sum or Sums of Money, so to be assessed and decreed as aforesaid, the Person or Persons to whom the same shall be so assessed and decreed for the Purchase of the Houses, Tenements, and Hereditaments, or for the Purchase of any Estate or Interest therein, shall make and execute, or procure to be made and executed, good, valid and legal Conveyances, and Assurances in the Law, to the said Mayor and Commonalty, and Citizens, of the said City, or unto any Person or Persons whom the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Council assembled, shall direct and appoint, and their Heirs, in Trust for the said Mayor and Commonalty, and Citizens, of the said City, of such Houses, Ground, Tenements, Edifices, Erections and Buildings, or of such Estate or Interest for which such Sum or Sums of Money shall be so awarded, and shall procure all necessary Parties to execute such Conveyances, Assignments and Assurances, and shall do all Acts, Matters and Things, necessary or requisite to make a clear, good and perfect Title to such Premises to the said Mayor and Commonalty, and Citizens, of the said City; and such Conveyances, Assignments and Assurances, shall contain all such reasonable and usual Covenants as shall on the Part of the said Mayor and Commonalty, and Citizens, be required: And in case such Person or Persons to whom any such Sum or Sums shall be so awarded or due, as aforesaid, shall not be able to evidence their Title to the Premises to the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, and to make, or procure to be made, good, valid and legal Conveyances

ances thereof, to the said Mayor and Commonalty, and Citizens, or to such Person or Persons as the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, shall appoint, or shall refuse so to do, being thereto required; and such Sum or Sums so assessed and awarded, or due, as aforesaid, being produced and tendered to be paid to them on their making such Title, and executing, and procuring to be executed, such Conveyances, Assignments, or Assurances, as aforesaid; or if, in case such Person or Persons to whom such Sum or Sums of Money shall be so assessed, or due, as aforesaid, cannot be found in the City or County where the Houses, Ground, Tenements, Edifices, Erections and Buildings, for which the Sums shall be so assessed and awarded, or are due, lie; or in case that, by reason of Disputes depending in any Court of Law or Equity, or for Defect of Evidence, it shall not appear to the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the said City, in Common Council assembled, what Person or Persons is or are intitled; or if any Mortgagee shall refuse to take in his or her Mortgage-money due on the Premises, after Notice given to him or her for that Purpose, as herein before is provided, that then, and in all and every such Case and Cases, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen to order the Sum or Sums, so assessed and awarded as aforesaid, as the Value of, and Purchase-money for, such Houses, Ground, Tenements, Edifices, Erections and Building, or as shall be due on any such Mortgage, to be paid into the Bank of England, for the Use of the Parties interested in the said Premises, to be paid to them and every of them, according to their respective Estates and Interests in the said Premises, as the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen shall, by any Order to be made by them, direct; and the Cashier or Cashiers of the Bank of England, who shall receive such Sum and Sums, is and are hereby required to give a Receipt or Receipts for such Sum or Sums, mentioning and specifying for what Premises, and for what Use the same is and are received, to such Person as shall pay such Sum or Sums into the Bank of England, as aforesaid; which Receipt or Receipts shall be entered on Record, and registered in such Place, and in such Manner as the said Verdict, Judgment and other Proceedings are herein before required to be kept; and immediately on such Payment and Registry, all the Estate, Right, Title, Interest, Use, Trust, Property, Claim and Demand, in Law and Equity, of the Person or Persons for whose Use the same was paid in, to, and out of, such Houses, Ground, Tenements, Edifices, Erections and Buildings, shall vest in the said Mayor and Commonalty, and Citizens, and they shall be deemed

in Law to be in the actual Possession thereof, to all Intents and Purposes, as fully and effectually as if every Person having any Estate in the said Premises, had actually conveyed the same by Lease and Release, Bargain and Sale, inrolled Feofment, with Livery and Seisin, Fine and Recovery, or any other legal Conveyance whatsoever; and such Payments shall not only bar all Right, Title, Interest, Claim and Demand, of the Person or Persons to whose Use such Payment was made, but also shall extend to and be deemed and construed to bar the Dower and Dowers of the Wife or Wives of such Person or Persons, and all Estates Tail, in Reversion or Remainder, against the Issue and Issues of such Person and Persons, and every Person claiming under them, as effectually as a Fine or Recovery would do, or would have done, if levied or suffered by the proper Parties in due Form of Law: Provided always, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen, after such Payment into the Bank, and Registry, as aforesaid, at the Petition of any Person or Persons interested in such Houses, Ground, Tenements, Edifices, Erections and Buildings, or the Monies so paid into the Bank for the Purchase thereof, or in respect of any Right or Interest therein, to place out or invest, or cause to be placed out or invested, such Sum or Sums of Money, or any Part thereof, in some of the Publick Funds, or on Government Securities, at Interest, in the Name of any Person or Persons authorized and appointed by the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen for that Purpose, in Trust, to transfer and assign the same to such Person or Persons to whom the Money so paid in shall belong, on their executing proper Conveyances thereof; and, in the mean time, in Trust, to pay the Interests and Dividends arising therefrom to such Person or Persons who was or were in Possession of the said Premises at the Time of the said Payment into the Bank: Provided always, and it is hereby Enacted, That all and every Person and Persons who would be intitled to recover the mesne Profits of the Premises against the Person or Persons in Possession, in case the same had not been so conveyed to the said Mayor and Commonalty, and Citizens, or by their Directions, as aforesaid, shall be intitled to recover the Sum or Sums arising or to arise from such Interest and Dividend, as aforesaid, by Action of Debt against the Person or Persons who shall receive the same: And the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen are hereby impowered and authorized, to make such Order, as aforesaid, on the Bank, for the Payment of such Sum or Sums of Money, or any Part thereof, as shall be necessary, in order to their being so invested in Publick Securities; and the said Mayor and Commonalty, and Citizens, shall
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be quieted in the Possession of the Houses, Ground, Tenements, Edifices, Erections and Buildings, for which such Money shall be so paid, as aforesaid, and shall not be answerable or accountable in any Court of Law or Equity, for the Money to be so deposited and placed out as aforesaid, any otherwise than according to the Tenor, Purport and true Meaning of this Act.

CLAUSE C.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Justices, as aforesaid, from time to time, to impose any reasonable Fine on any Sheriff or Sheriffs, or their Deputy or Deputies, Bailiffs or Agents, respectively, who shall make any Default in the Premises, and on any Persons, who shall be summoned and returned on any such Jury or Juries, who shall not appear, and also on any Witness or Witnesses, who shall not attend, or who shall attend, and refuse to be sworn, or who, being sworn, shall refuse to give Evidence, and on any Persons summoned and returned on such Jury or Juries, who shall refuse to be sworn on any such Jury or Juries, or, being sworn thereon, shall not give his or their Verdict, or shall, in any other manner, wilfully neglect his or their Duty in or touching the Premises, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act; and, from time to time, to levy such Fine or Fines, by Order of the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Justices, as aforesaid, as the Case may require, by Distress and Sale of the Offender's Goods, together with the reasonable Charges of every such Distress and Sale; returning the Overplus, if any, to the Owner; and all such Fines, which shall so be recovered and received, shall be applied towards the Purposes of this Act.

CLAUSE D.

And, forasmuch as the borrowing Money upon the Credit of this Act will be the most effectual Method to accomplish the Ends designed thereby, Be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, of the said City, in Common Council assembled, shall and may, and they are hereby impowered, from time to time, to borrow, under the Common Seal of the said City, upon the Credit of the said Tolls and Duties created by this Act, any Sum or Sums of Money, at a Rate or Rates of Interest not exceeding Four Pounds per Centum per Annum; which said Money so to be borrowed, shall be applied to the Purposes of this Act.

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And, forasmuch as by the taking down of the Houses and Buildings which are now standing upon London Bridge, or near adjoining thereto, the Rector of the united Parishes of Saint Magnus and Saint Margaret's, New Fish-street, London, will be deprived of recovering the Tythes belonging to him, and which are now charged on such of the Houses on London Bridge as are in the said Parish of Saint Magnus, and the Rector of the Parish of Saint Olave, Southwark, will be deprived of the customary Payments, in lieu of Tythes, which are now charged on, or payable by, the Occupiers of such of the said Houses and Buildings now standing on London Bridge, as are in the said Parish of Saint Olave, Southwark : And whereas there are Emoluments yearly arising, from Surplice-Fees and Easter-Offerings, to the Rector of the said united Parishes of Saint Magnus and Saint Margaret, New Fish-street, and to the Rector of the said Parish of Saint Olave, from the Occupiers of such Houses on London Bridge as are in the said respective Parishes ; Be it therefore Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That immediately after the pulling down any Houses, Buildings or Tenements, on or contiguous to the said Bridge, which are in the said Parish of Saint Magnus, under the Authority of this Act, all Tythes now payable to the Rector of the said united Parishes of Saint Magnus and Saint Margaret, New Fish-street, from any such Houses, Buildings, or Tenements, shall be for ever charged on all and singular the Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, belonging or in the Account of the Bridge-house of the City of London ; and that immediately after the pulling down any Houses, Buildings or Tenements, on or contiguous to the said Bridge, which are in the said Parish of Saint Olave, Southwark, under the Authority of this Act, all customary Payments, in lieu of Tythes, now payable to the Rector of Saint Olave, in Southwark, from any such Houses, Buildings or Tenements, on or near the said Bridge, which shall be so pulled down, or the Occupiers thereof, shall likewise, for ever, be charged upon all and singular the said Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, belonging to, or in the Account of, the Bridge-house Estate of the said City of London ; and that all Sums of Money payable as aforesaid, for or in lieu of Tythes, shall be paid to the Rectors of the said Parishes of Saint Magnus and Saint Margaret, New Fish-street, and Saint Olave, in Southwark, respectively, for the time being, for ever, clear of all Taxes and Deductions, by the said Mayor, Commonalty and Citizens, of the said City of London, or such Person or Persons as the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, in Common Council

cil assembled, shall appoint, out of the Rents and Profits of the said Bridge-house Estates, at the Two most usual Feasts: that is to say, the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the Feast of Saint Michael the Archangel, by equal Payments, in every Year; the First Payment thereof to begin and commence on such of the Feast-days as shall first happen after the pulling down any of such Houses or Tenements; and that the yearly Sum of Seven Pounds Fifteen Shillings and One Penny shall be likewise paid as aforesaid, out of the said Bridge-house Estate, to the Reverend Mr. Robert Gibson, during the time he shall continue Rector of the said Parishes of Saint Magnus and Saint Margaret, from and immediately after the pulling down the said Houses, in lieu of Surplice-Fees and Easter-Offerings, clear of Taxes; and the yearly Sum of Four Pounds Eleven Shillings and Four Pence shall likewise be paid out of the said Bridge-house Estate, to the Reverend Mr. Simon Hughes, Rector of the said Parish of Saint Olave, in lieu of Surplice-Fees and Easter-Offerings, clear of all Taxes, during such time as he shall continue Rector of the said Parish of Saint Olave.

CLAUSE F.

And whereas, by means of pulling down, and taking away, the Houses upon the said Bridge, and contiguous thereto, a great Deficiency will happen in the Poor's Rates of the said Parishes of Saint Magnus and Saint Olave's, and the Land-Tax heretofore assessed upon account of such Houses, must be raised and paid by the Owners and Occupiers of such Houses and Lands, who shall remain in the said Parishes, unless some Provision be made by this Act for the future Payment of the same; Be it therefore Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That such Share and Proportion, which any House or Houses (now standing on the said Bridge, or contiguous thereto, and which shall hereafter be pulled down, and taken away from the same), used to contribute and pay, or be charged, towards the Quota of the Land-Tax assessed upon the said Parishes, shall, from and after the pulling down of such House and Houses, be, for ever, paid to the Collector or Collectors authorized to receive the same, by the Mayor, Commonalty and Citizens, of the said City of London, out of the Revenues and Estate belonging to the said Bridge; and that there shall likewise be paid, by the said Mayor, Commonalty and Citizens, out of the said Revenues and Estate, to the Overseers of the Poor of the said Parishes of Saint Magnus and Saint Olave's, respectively, for the Time being, towards the Relief of the Poor of the said Parishes, yearly, and every Year, all such Sum and Sums of Mo-

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ney as the said Parishes shall be chargeable with on account of any Person or Persons who already have gained, or hereafter shall gain, any Settlement, or become chargeable, in the said Parishes, or either of them, on account of such Part of the said Parishes wherein the Houses which shall be pulled down by virtue of this Act now stand.

CLAUSE G.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That such convenient and sufficient Number of Glass Lamps, of such Sort and Fashion, and put up in such Parts and Places of the said Bridge, as to the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, of the said City, in Common Council assembled, shall seem meet and expedient, shall be, with all convenient Speed, after the said Bridge shall be widened, enlarged and repaired, in manner as herein before is directed, erected and fixed upon proper Parts or Places of the said Bridge; and the same shall yearly, and every Year, be kept lighted and burning from Sun-setting to Sun-rising, throughout the Year; and that the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, in Common Council assembled, shall, from time to time, after any Houses on the said Bridge shall be taken down in pursuance of this Act, nominate and appoint such a Number of able-bodied Watchmen, as they shall judge necessary and proper, to be kept upon the said Bridge, for the Safety and Protection of Persons passing over the same; which Watchmen, so to be appointed, shall be subject to such Rules, Orders and Directions, as shall, from time to time, be made by the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, in Common Council assembled, and removeable at their Will and Pleasure; and the Expence of buying and erecting of such Lamps or Lights, and also the yearly Charges of supplying, maintaining and repairing, the same; and the Charges and Expences of watching the said Bridge, shall be borne and paid out of the Estate and Revenues belonging to the said Bridge: And be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Person or Persons shall, from and after the erecting and placing the said Lamps, wilfully or maliciously break, throw down or extinguish, any Lamp that shall be so set up to light the said Bridge, or wilfully damage the Posts, Irons or other Furniture thereof, every Person so offending therein, and being thereof convicted, by the Oath of One or more Witnesses or Witnesses, before One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace for the City of London, or the County of Surry, as the Case may happen, shall be subject to such Pains, Penalties and Forfeitures, as are inflicted by an Act of the Nineteenth Year of his present Majesty,

sty, intituled, " An Act for making more effectual Provision for enlightening the Streets of the City of London."

CLAUSE H.

And it is hereby further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the Passage over the said Bridge shall be secured and preserved, by a proper and uniform Ballustrade, to be erected on each Side thereof; and that the said Passage shall be Forty-five Feet wide, if it will admit thereof, and laid out in Manner herein after-mentioned; that is to say, The Passage for Carriages, Horses and other Cattle, shall be Thirty-one Feet wide; and the Foot-ways for Passengers, on each Side of the said Bridge, shall be Seven Feet wide; and the said Passage shall be made and continued safe and commodious, in all respects, by such Ways, and in such Manner, as the Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, in Common Council assembled, shall order or direct.

CLAUSE I.

And be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, in Common Council assembled, or such Person or Persons as they shall appoint, shall and may erect, or cause to be erected, a Gate or Gates, and also a Toll-house or Toll-houses, upon, in or near, the said Bridge.

CLAUSE K.

And, to the Intent the Passage over the said Bridge may always be kept open, and rendered more safe and commodious, and be clear of all Buildings, except as herein is mentioned; Be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That after the Houses and Tenements, intended as aforesaid to be taken down, shall be taken down, the Ground and Soil, on which the same now stand, shall lie open, and be deemed and used as a common and publick Highway, for ever; and that no House, or other Building, shall be erected on the said Bridge (except such Gates and Toll-houses as are herein provided and directed); and that all Carriages passing over the said Bridge from London, shall go on the East Side thereof, as near as may be; and that all Carriages passing over the said Bridge to London, shall go on the West Side thereof, as near as may be; and that no Coachman or Driver shall stand or ply for Hire, with any Coach, or other Carriage whatsoever, upon the said Bridge, or leave any empty Coach or Carriage there; and that no Carman, Carter, Drayman or Driver of any Carriage whatsoever, shall wilfully remain with any Cart, Car, Dray, Waggon or other Carriage whatsoever, on the said Bridge, longer than shall
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be necessary for going over the same, or leave any empty Cart, Dray or other Carriage, upon the said Bridge; and that no Person shall put any Filth, Dung, Ashes or Rubbish, on the said Bridge, or do any Act which may be an Annoyance there: And if any Coachman, Carman, Carter, Drayman, Waggoner or Driver, shall offend herein, or any Person shall annoy any Part of the said Bridge, by putting or leaving any Filth, Dung, Ashes or Rubbish, there or otherwise, it shall and may be lawful for any Person or Persons to apprehend and take, or cause to be apprehended and taken, every such Person or Persons so offending, before the said Mayor of the City of London, or some other Justice of the Peace for the said City, or before some Justice of the Peace for the County of Surry; and every such Offender, being of any of the said Offences convicted, by the Oath of One or more credible Witness or Witnesses, before the Mayor, or any other such Justice, or by his or her Confession, shall, for every such Offence, forfeit and pay a Sum not exceeding Twenty Shillings, nor less than Two Shillings and Six-pence, to go and be applied between the Parties informing against, and apprehending, every such Offender and Offenders as the Mayor or Justice before whom the Party or Parties offending shall be convicted, shall direct; and, in Default of immediate Payment thereof, the Offender or Offenders shall be committed by the Mayor, or Justice, before whom he, she or they, were convicted, if in London, to the London Work-house, and, if in Surry, to the House of Correction for the said County of Surry; there to be kept to hard Labour, for any Time not exceeding Three Days, as the Mayor, or such Justice, shall think fit to order, or until he, she or they, shall have paid the Money directed by the Mayor, or such Justice, to be paid.

CLAUSE L.

Provided likewise, and it is hereby also further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every the Powers and Authorities in and by this Act given and granted to the Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, of the said City of London, in Common Council assembled, shall and may at all times hereafter be exercised and performed, as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, by any Committee who shall be appointed, from time to time, by the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, of the said City of London, in Common Council assembled, for putting in Execution this Act, or performing any Matter hereby directed to be done, according to the Authorities which, from time to time, by the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, of the said City of London, in Common Council assembled,

asssembled, shall be delegated or given to such Committee; and that all and every Acts, Matters and Things, which at any Times hereafter shall be done or transacted by any such Committee, who shall be appointed as aforesaid, shall be as valid and effectual to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, as if the same were or had been done, transacted or performed, by the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, of the said City of London, in Common Council asssembled; any thing in this Act before contained to the contrary thereof in any-wise notwithstanding.

CLAUSE M.

And whereas, by an Act made in the Tenth Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, intituled, "An Act for rebuilding the Church of the Parish of Saint Olave, in the City of London, and in the Borough of Southwark, in the County of Surry," all the Lands, Houses, Tenements, and Hereditaments, within the said Parish, were charged and are still charged with Assessments to be made thereon, not exceeding Six Pence in the Pound in any One Year, of the yearly Rent of such Lands, Houses, Tenements and Hereditaments, as the same should be ascertained and rated by the Land-Tax payable for the same; Two Third-parts of which Assessments were to be paid by the Landlords or Owners, and the other Third-part was to be paid by the Tenants or Occupiers, of such Lands, Houses, Tenements and Hereditaments, for and towards the Expence of rebuilding the said Parish Church, and until the same should be finished: And whereas the said Parish Church is not yet finished, and there remain several Debts unpaid, which have been contracted by the said Parish on account of the rebuilding the said Church; which the said Parish is now charged with and liable to pay: And whereas several of the Houses charged and chargeable with the said Assessment will be taken down, and the Ground whereon they stand will be applied to the Use of the said Bridge, whereby the said Parish of Saint Olave will lose the Assessments charged and chargeable thereon: Be it therefore Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of London shall, out of the Rents of the said Bridge-House Estate, pay or cause to be paid to the Churchwardens of the said Parish of Saint Olave all such Rates and Sums of Money, as might or would be chargeable upon the said Houses so to be taken down in pursuance of the said Act, as if the said Houses were standing.

CLAUſE N.

And be it Enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That every Receiver or Collector of any Money, payable by virtue of this Act, ſhall pay the Money he or they ſhall receive into the Chamber of the City of London as he or they ſhall receive the ſame, in ſuch manner, that he or they ſhall never have a Fund exceeding Fifty Pounds at a time in his or their Hands for the Space of Ten Days; provided the ſaid Chamber of London be open to receive the ſame: And if any ſuch Receiver or Collector ſhall keep or retain in his Hands more than the ſaid Sum of Fifty Pounds longer than Ten Days, he and they ſhall reſpectively forfeit and pay the Sum of Five Pounds for every Offence of which he or they ſhall be convicted before the Mayor of the ſaid City of London, or any Juſtice of the ſaid City, by the Oath of any One or more credible Witneſs or Witneſſes, or by his or their Confefſion; all which Forfeitures ſhall be levied by Diſtreſs and Sale of the Offender's Goods; rendering the Overplus (if any) after the reaſonable Charges of ſuch Diſtreſs and Sale ſhall be paid, to the Owners thereof, and ſhall be recovered and applied to the Uſes of this Act.

CLAUſE O.

And be it alſo Enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Chamberlain of the ſaid City of London, for the Time being, or ſuch of his Clerks who ſhall be appointed by him for this Purpoſe, ſhall be obliged, and he and they is and are hereby required, to give Receipts for all Money which ſhall be paid into the ſaid Chamber of London, in purſuance of this Act, without Fee or Reward; and that the ſaid Chamberlain of the ſaid City of London, for the Time being, is hereby authorized and required, out of the Money which ſhall be ſo paid into the ſaid Chamber of the ſaid City of London, under this Act, and ſo far as the ſame will extend or be ſufficient, from time to time, to answer and pay all Sums of Money which ſhall be drawn upon him, or ordered to be paid, by the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, of the ſaid City of London, in Common Council aſſembled, for or in reſpect of any thing which ſhall be due, or payable, by virtue of or under this Act.

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And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That there ſhall be provided and kept by the Chamberlain of the City of London, for the Time being, one or more Book or Books, in which all the Receipts and Diſburſements of the Money ariſing
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and received by virtue of this Act, shall, from time to time, be fairly set down and entered, truly expressing the Times when, and the Names of the Persons respectively from and by whom the same were so received, and to whom, and for what Uses or Purposes, the same shall have been disbursed; and an Account of such Receipts and Payments shall be fairly drawn out, stated and signed by the said Chamberlain, once in every Year, and delivered by him to said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, of the said City, in Common Council assembled; who are hereby impowered, from time to time, to audit or cause the same to be audited, and to settle the same; and, after every such Audit shall be made, the Chamberlain of the said City of London, for the Time being, shall yearly lay before each House of Parliament, a true Copy of every such Account, or an Abstract thereof, within Twenty Days after the Opening of every Session of Parliament.

CLAUSE Q.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That, from and after the said Twenty-fourth Day of June One thousand Seven hundred and Fifty six, there shall be due and paid to the Receiver or Receivers, Collector or Collectors, who shall be appointed by the said Court of Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, in Common Council assembled, by the Owner or Owners of every Hoy, Barge, Vessel, Lighter, or other Craft, having any Goods on board, every Time any such Hoy, Barge, Vessel, Lighter, or other Craft, shall pass through any of the Arches of the said Bridge, the several Tolls or Sums of Money following; that is to say, For every Hoy, Barge, Vessel, Lighter, or other Craft, having any Goods on board not exceeding Five Tons Burthen, the Sum of Two Pence; for every such Hoy, Barge, Vessel, Lighter, or other Craft, not exceeding Ten Tons, the Sum of Three Pence; for every such Hoy, Barge, Vessel, Lighter, or other Craft, not exceeding Twenty-five Tons, Six Pence; and for every such Hoy, Barge, Vessel, Lighter, or other Craft, above the Burthen of Twenty-five Tons, One Shilling; save and except out of such Tolls all such Crafts as shall be loaded only with Straw, Manure, Dung, Compost, or Lime, to be used for Tillage: All which Tolls or Sums of Money shall, from time to time, be paid within the Space of Thirty Days after every such Hoy, Barge, Vessel, Lighter, or other Craft, shall have passed through the said Bridge; and if any Owner or Owners of any such Hoy, Barge, Vessel, Lighter, or other Craft, which shall so pass through the said Bridge, shall, for the Space of Thirty Days, neglect or refuse to pay the Tolls or Rates herein before appointed to be paid

paid for every such Hoy, Barge, Vessel, Lighter, or other Craft, which shall so pass through the said Bridge, he and they shall forfeit and pay, for every Offence, the Sum of Five Pounds; to be levied, from time to time, by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the respective Owner or Owners of any such Hoy, Barge, Lighter, Vessel, or other Craft, which shall so pass through the said Bridge, together with the reasonable Charges of every such Distress and Sale; all which Forfeitures, when recovered, shall go and be applied to the Uses of this Act.

CLAUSE R.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the Tolls and Duties, payable by this Act, shall not be rated or taxed for or towards the Land-Tax, Church, Poor, or any other Rates or Taxes, Ward or Parochial; or for or towards the Repairs of any Highways.

CLAUSE S.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That every Mortgagee and Mortgagees of any Houses, Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, which shall be purchased in pursuance of this Act, his, her or their Heirs, Executors, Administrators or Assigns, on having Six Months Notice, in Writing, given to him, her or them, from the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, in Common Council assembled, or any Person authorized by them, that they will pay off and discharge the Principal and Interest Money, which, at the Expiration of the said Six Months, shall be due on any such Mortgage, shall, at the End of the said Six Months, after every such Notice, on Payment or Tender of the Principal and Interest Money which shall be then due, convey and assign his, her and their respective Estates and Interests in and to the said mortgaged Premises to the said Mayor and Commonalty, and Citizens, or such Person or Persons as the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, in Common Council assembled, shall appoint, in Trust, for the said Mayor and Commonalty, and Citizens, and their Successors; and if any such Mortgagee or Mortgagees, his, her or their Heirs, Executors, Administrators or Assigns, shall refuse so to do, then all Interest on every such Mortgage, from the Expiration of the said Six Months, after any such Notice given as aforesaid, shall cease and determine.

CLAUSE T.

And it is hereby further Enacted and Declared, That the Principal Money arising from the Sale of any Houses, Edifices, Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, which shall be purchased for the Purposes contained in this Act, of any Body Corporate or Collegiate,

legiate, Corporation Aggregate or Sole, Feoffees in Trust, Guardians, Committees or other Trustees, or from any Feme-covert, shall be paid to such Persons as they shall respectively nominate to receive the same, in Trust, with all convenient Speed, to be reinvested in the Purchase of other Messuages, Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, to be conveyed and settled to and upon, and subject to the like Uses, Trusts, Limitations, Remainders and Contingencies, as the Houses, Edifices, Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, which shall be purchased from them respectively by the said Mayor, Commonalty and Citizens, as aforesaid, were respectively settled, limited or assured, at the Time of such the Purchasing of the same, or so many thereof as at the Time of making such Conveyances and Settlements shall be existing and capable of taking Effect.

CLAUSE U.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That in case the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the said City of London, in Common Council assembled, or any Person authorized by them, shall, after any Houses or Tenements shall be purchased by them in pursuance of this Act, give Twelve Months Notice, in Writing, to the Tenants or Occupiers of any such Houses or Tenements which shall be so purchased, who shall have no greater Interest therein respectively than as Tenants at Will, or as Lessees by Parole for a Year, or from Year to Year, to quit or deliver up the Possession of such Houses or Tenements at the Expiration of such Twelve Months, then every such Tenants or Occupiers shall, at the End of the said Twelve Months, after every such Notice, peaceably and quietly deliver up the Possession of the Premises so by him, her or them respectively occupied, to the Person or Persons who shall be appointed by the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, in Common Council assembled, to take Possession thereof; and if any Persons so in Possession thereof, shall refuse to give up the Possession thereof, at the Expiration of such Twelve Months after every such Notice as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen, from time to time, to issue a Precept or Precepts to the Sheriffs of the City of London, if the Premises shall be in London, and, if in Surry, to the Sheriff of the County of Surry, to cause Possession thereof to be delivered to such Person or Persons who shall be in such Precept or Precepts nominated to receive the same; and the Sheriffs of the said City of London, if the Premises shall be in London, and if in Surry, the Sheriff of the said County of Surry, are and is hereby respectively required to deliver Possession, ac-

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cording to such said Precept or Precepts, of the Premises therein mentioned, and to levy such Costs as shall accrue by means of the Issuing and Execution of every such Precept or Precepts by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of any Person or Persons who shall neglect or refuse to pay the same.

CLAUSE W.

Provided always, and it is hereby further Enacted and Declared, That nothing, in this present Act contained, shall extend, or be construed, deemed or taken to extend, to empower the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, of the said City, in Common Council assembled, to remove or alter any of the Arches under the said Bridge, or any Engines fixed up therein, which now belong to the Proprietors of the London Bridge Water-works, or to take away any Right, which the said Proprietors of the said London Bridge Water-works now have, to the Use or Enjoyment of any of the Arches of the said Bridge, by Grant or Lease, from the said Mayor, and Commonalty and Citizens of London, for raising Water therefrom.

CLAUSE X.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for any Justice or Justices of the Peace of any County, City or Liberty, within whose Jurisdiction any Person or Persons, subject and punishable by this Act for neglecting or refusing to pay any of the Tolls or Sums of Money, herein before appointed to be paid, shall reside or be found, to summon before him or them, the Party or Parties accused of Neglect or Refusal to pay the same Tolls or Sums of Money; and, on Appearance of the Parties accused, or on his, her or their, Contempt in not appearing, upon Proof, on Oath, by One or more credible Witness or Witnesses (or by the Affirmation of any of the Persons called Quakers), of the Service of such Summons or Summonses on the Party or Parties against whom the same was or were granted, or of leaving the same at his, her or their, usual Place of Abode, with some Person there, of his, her or their, Family, every such Justice and Justices is and are hereby required to proceed to the Examination of the Witness or Witnesses upon Oath or Affirmation (which Oath or Affirmation every such Justice is hereby authorized to administer), and thereupon to hear, adjudge and determine, concerning the Matters complained of, and to issue Process and Warrants, in like manner as Justices may do for Offences committed within their respective Jurisdictions.

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And it is hereby also Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That no Order, which shall be made by any Justice or Justices, by virtue of or under this Act, or any other Proceedings to be had touching the Conviction or Convictions of any Offender or Offenders against this Act, shall be quashed or vacated, for Want of Form only, or be removed or removeable, by Certiorari, or any other Writ or Process whatsoever, into any of his Majesty's Courts of Record at Westminster.

CLAUSE Z.

Provided always, and it hereby further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That in case any Person or Persons shall think him, her or themselves, aggrieved by any Orders or Proceedings of any Justice or Justices of the Peace, which shall be made or had under this Act, it shall and may be lawful for such Person or Persons to appeal to the Justices of the Peace at the next General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace, to be held for the County, City or Borough, in which any Warrant shall be so granted, or Order so made; and the Justices of such said General Quarter-Sessions are hereby required to hear, and finally determine, every such Appeal and Appeals, and shall and may award to the Party or Parties, for whom such Appeal shall be determined, Costs, as to them, in their Discretion, shall seem reasonable; and shall and may raise and levy, by their Order or Warrants, such Costs as shall be awarded, by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of any Person or Persons who shall be ordered to pay the same.

CLAUSE A a.

And, for preventing any Damage to the London Bridge Waterworks; Be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That if it shall be found necessary to take down any Pier or Piers of the said Bridge, in order to enlarge any Arch or Arches, and thereby in any-wise prejudice the Raising of Water by the said Works, that then, and in every such Case, the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, of the said City, in Common Council assembled, shall, and they are hereby required, on Complaint and Proof of such Damage, to stop or pen up a like Body of Water as shall be discharged by the taking down or altering any of the said Piers.

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